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Attorney Docket No. 24221-88PCT
First Inventor Roger Dale Hiatt
Title Apparatus and Method for Extracting a Sample
Express Mail Label No. EL321483465US

APPLICATION ELEMENTS

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

1. ☐ Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17)
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2. ☒ Applicant claims small entity status.
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App. No. : NOT YET ASSIGNED
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Title : APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR EXTRACTING A SAMPLE
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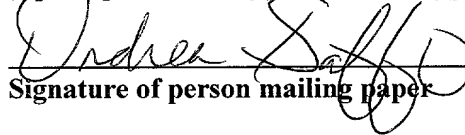
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